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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated September 14, 2005, Applicant hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time, extending the period for response to January 17, 2005 (January 14, 2006 being a Saturday and Monday, January 16, 2006 being a Federal Holiday). Applicant encloses herewith a check in the amount of \$120.00 as payment of the extension-of-time fee. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 11 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.

An Appendix including amended drawing figures is attached following page 18 of this paper.